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One-Way Traffic Control Begins on State Route 33 in Ventura County for Emergency Caltrans Work Following Wildfire

Only One Lane Will Be Available as Crews Work on Two-Lane Highway

VENTURA — Starting today, the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) plans to begin daily temporary closures of the northbound lane on State Route 33 in the community of Casitas Springs, between the cities of Ventura and Ojai, while Caltrans carries out an emergency operation in the area burned last week by the Vista Fire.

The Oct. 24 wildfire burned a steep slope alongside the northbound lane of the two-lane highway. Beginning today and continuing approximately through Friday afternoon, Caltrans will place temporary concrete barriers (“K-rail”) along the northbound shoulder of Route 33 to control debris in stormwater runoff from the burn area.

Caltrans will place concrete barriers along 1,100 feet of the highway, north of Casitas Vista Road. The daily lane closures are scheduled between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. The schedule is weather-permitting and is subject to change. Additional days may be required to complete the operation.

During the lane closure, one-way traffic control will be in effect. A flagging crew will allow northbound and southbound traffic to proceed on an alternating basis in the southbound lane.

Drivers are urged to allow extra travel time and exercise caution in work areas. Caltrans reminds drivers to “Be Work Zone Alert” and “Slow for the Cone Zone.”

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